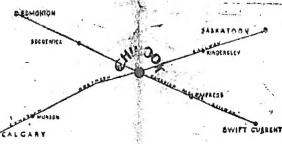


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## Local and General

Happenings Here, There and Everywhere, Past Present and Future

### CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO OUR READERS

To us no season of the year awakens so much of tenderness and fellow feeling towards all humanity as Christmas. It is not only a time of well wishing, but kindly doing, with a vein of sympathy that would turn no one away empty, withhold no tender greeting, no act of kindness, no word of love that might contribute to another's happiness. If Christmas means anything, it is a day of good things, gracious deeds, generous impulses, noble aspirations, helpfulness and gladness, the shadows fleeing away and the sunlight streaming into our life.

We are glad to greet our readers with a bright and merry Christmas. May your homes be bright, and the great wish and hope of your hearts in an abundant measure be realized this Christmas tide.

We extend to our advertisers our best wishes. At this Christmas time, our thoughts take us back to the time when first we came among you, and cannot help but recognize and appreciate the kindness shown to us by our advertisers, who make this paper possible. We know that our merchants and business men have not had a heavy fall business, yet they have been very liberal in their advertising, and this Christmas time we feel that we must express our sincerest thanks for their patronage and support; and hope that the coming year may be one of happiness and prosperity for them.

### Tax Sale of M. D. of Collholme

The tax sale for the M. D. of Collholme, No. 243, was held in the Assembly Room of the Chinook Consolidated School on Saturday, Dec. 11th, at 10 a.m. One hundred and twenty parcels were offered for sale, all of which were purchased by the municipality. J. M. Davis, of Collholme, acted as auctioneer.

### Juvenile Show

Dec. 23rd.

The famous Canadian Juvenile Entertainers, a company of ten children who have been given a splendid reception in all the big towns in the West, will visit Chinook on Thursday, Dec. 23, in the Arm's Hall. This juvenile company will give an evening of musical comedy, comic opera and character sketches. This is the most versatile aggregation of juvenile talent in America. Don't miss seeing the youngsters on Thursday, Dec. 23.

### DARING BURGLARY AT MILLER'S STORE

Plate Glass Window Shattered  
and Fur Coat Stolen

Sometime during the night of Thursday, the 16th inst., J. R. Miller's store on Main Street was burglarized and a valuable fur coat stolen. The crime was discovered on Friday when Mr. Miller and his clerks went to open the store. The provincial police at Youngstown and Oyen were immediately notified by phone. The previous even two suspicious characters were seen hanging around town, and it was learned that they had apparently jumped an east-bound freight in the early hours of Friday morning.

During the course of Friday morning word was received from Constable Bush at Oyen that he had two suspicious men under arrest on a vagrancy charge and they had a fur coat answering the description of the one stolen from Miller's store, and acting on this information Constable Torpey, of Youngstown, had information laid before Magistrate Hewitt and a warrant issued for the arrest of these men, who had given their names as Thomas Ryan and Edward Moorecroft. This information was phoned Constable Bush and word received back that he was bringing the men to Chinook by auto.

At 6 p.m. the accused appeared before Magistrate Hewitt on the above charge.

J. R. Miller gave evidence as to his store being burglarized, and identified the coat found with the men at Oyen, as that stolen from his store. Mr. E. E. Stata corroborated the evidence, and Mr. C. E. Pollock, night operator at Chinook depot, identified both of the accused as being two men who were hanging around the depot the previous night until about 1:30 a.m., when an east-bound train stopped. Charlie Mah also identified the men as having been in his restaurant around midnight on Thursday, 16th December. C. Frey, of Oyen, gave evidence of a conversation he overheard between the two men regarding the coat. Constable Bush, of Oyen, gave evidence with regard to the arrest of the accused. Both prisoners refused to make any statement.

Constable Torpey, of Youngstown, prosecuted on behalf of the Crown. His Worship after hearing the evidence committed both prisoners to take their trial at the next sitting of the supreme court, held at Hanna. The prisoners were taken to Calgary by Constable Torpey.

### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Special Christmas services will be held on Sunday as follows: Laughlin at 11 a.m. and at Chinook Church at 7:30 p.m. The subject: "No Room for Jesus." There will be special Christmas anthems sung by the choir at the evening service.

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## Chinook Pharmacy



From the Diary of A Hudson's Bay Clerk in the Seventies  
PASSING THE SPRING OUT  
By O-GE-MAS-ES (Little Clerk).

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(Continued from Last Issue)  
It is considered a point of honor to eat all that is put before you at an Indian feast, but alas this was beyond my powers. So very quietly I, from time to time, transferred portions of my helping to the old man's plate, and though he was a fairily wrinkled up old Indian when we sat down, by midnight he looked more like a London alderman.

About 2 p.m. I quietly slipped out and looking back at the scene from a few yards away it made a perfect picture of wild Indian life. The long camp fires gave sufficient light to see the dancers who followed one another in Indian file keeping time to the tom-toms with a sort of jig step. Most of the men had nothing on but a breechclout, while the women were naked from the waist up. Still their brown skins painted with various ochres did not strike one unpleasantly as white people would do, in fact they were quite in harmony with their wild surroundings, truly children of nature and so far unsophisticated by civilization.

My time was now getting short as I had promised the Chief to be home by the 24th of May. So making one grand round to all the various tepees, collecting some small debts, leaving some of my impediments to come down later, I was now saying goodbye. O-ow-suk was quite mournful, also Ki-say-the-nish. My Indian Grandfather's address was quite particular.

"My Grandson," he said, "you are young and I am old. We may never see one another again (and we never did). I wanted you to have a monument so all would remember O-ge-mas-es' residence amongst us. Some days ago I had my young men go down the Creek River where stands a mighty spruce tree, a landmark for miles around, and this they made a lobstick in memory of them."

I thanked the old chap and really felt quite affected. Then my newer friend, Ki-say-the-nish, wished to establish relationship, so called me his Cha-Cha-Wow. This was a mutual name between us and meant that we were so related by our children having intermarried. Remarkable that an obscure tribe of Indians like the Creeks would have a special name for a relationship which cannot be stated concisely in English. It is also remarkable to say that this fictitious relationship was of considerable benefit to me many years after, but, that as Kipling says, "that is another story."

It was a spring of very high water and my little bark canoe was loaded down well to the gunwales, but thanks to careful pitching, tigh as a bottle. The Indians had warned me not to descend the Carrot too far for fear of meeting drowned land. Away I went, waving my paddle in a last salute, and paddled steadily till moon, when I landed and boiled the kettle. I had shot a goose and had some fun chasing him in the afternoon. Forgetting all warnings, I paddled steadily, only now noticing that the banks of the river were flooded. Common sense should have warned me to

## France Will Retain Ships

Decision Follows Recent Conferences With the British.

Paris.—France will now retain all German ships which she has been managing provisionally under the terms of the Versailles treaty, says the Matin, which asserts that recent Franco-British conversations on the subject have resulted in an agreement. These ships aggregate 430,000 tons.

## Veterans Enter Protest.

Kingston, Ont.—Protests will be made to the Ontario Government by the Army and Navy Veterans of this city against the order-in-council granting \$200,000 to a University in Montreal, and the proposal to spend a large sum of money in establishing a town site at Kitchissippi when the question of unemployment is becoming serious and when many are in actual want of food and fuel.

## Mayor of Calgary.

Calgary, Alta.—With all polls closed from in the mayoralty contest here, Adams is elected mayor by 5,111 votes against 2,709 for Ruttle, the only other candidate.

Samis is re-elected commissioner, the vote being 4,496; Broatch 2,192 and Smith 1,062, Samis thus having more than the two other candidates combined.

## Want School Teachers

Children of Members of Air Force at Camp Borden Need Instruction. Ottawa.—Application has been made by the Air Board to the Ontario Department of Education for teachers at Camp Borden. The reason for this is stated, is that many of the married men of the Canadian Air Force have their wives and children at Camp Borden where living quarters are provided for married men, and there are some thirty children there who are without any school facilities. It is proposed to open a school for their benefit at the camp in the spring. There are now some 400 people at Camp Borden.

## BANK OF MONTREAL

Annual General Meeting Held 6th December 1920.

The 103rd Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank of Montreal was held on Monday, December 6th, at the Bank's Headquarters. The President, Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart., occupied the chair, and presented the annual report of the Directors.

Before moving the adoption of the report, Sir Vincent Meredith gave a comprehensive review of the economic situation. During the year, he said, the Canadian Government had taxed resources to the utmost. It had been difficult to make men who had grown accustomed to high prices recognize the fact that certain conditions had not only artifical means, but also, alone, as the cause of price decline. "The demand for intervention through Government control is still insistent in some quarters," he said. "Canada alone cannot control the world's market, and it is idle to turn to the Government for relief from falling prices. This applies to wheat as well as to other commodities."

Summing up, he said: "The situation in Canada at present, as I view it, is that while there does not appear to be any cause for apprehension, there is every reason for the exercise of the utmost measure of vigilance. Canadian citizens are not only hard-working, industrious, and world conditions are not satisfactory. On this continent the two years supervening upon the Armistice have been marked by unexampled trade activity and prosperity, a continuation of which, however, is not assured. In all great wars, but the reaction set in and may not yet be in full play. Happily, Canada is well prepared on many sides, and the reverse of pessimism and a sense of gloom should not be allowed to the shock of falling prices, restricted credits and depleted currency with serious impairment of her commercial and financial vitality."

The General Manager, Sir Frederick W. McIlwain, in his report on the operations of the Bank during the year, said the payment of a bonus of 2% to the shareholders was not the outcome of higher rates of interest or current rates of exchange, but the result of an increase in current loans and of high interest rates on call loans in New York, the volume of which was governed by the Bank's requirements in New York. The bonus was not the result of a restriction as acute here as it was across the line, the price of money was materially lower in the Dominion. This condition he said was regarded as a tribute to Canadian banking systems.

Dealing with the growth of the Bank's operations, he said: "It is noteworthy that the greatest expansion of the Bank during the past few years has been in our own country. This is reflected in our greatly increased loans and deposits in Canada and in the number of branches up and down the period."

Loans Deposits Branches in Canada.—In Can. 1914 \$147,000 \$168,557,000 302

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The annual report was unanimously adopted and the retiring directors were re-elected. The shareholders gave an appeal to the government to increase the number of directors from 16 to 18 and to the two new positions on the Board were elected Sir Lomer Gouin and General Sir Arthur Currie.

Mr. Gouin, at another meeting of Directors, Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart., was re-elected president, and Sir Charles Gordon, G.B.E., was re-elected vice-president.

De Valera May Go To England.

London.—A writer in the Evening Standard says he learns from an authoritative source that Eamon De Valera, "president of the Irish Republic," is expected to land in England in a few days. The Home Office and offices of the Irish Self-Determination League say they have no information on the subject.

## Must Attend School.

Toronto.—A Toronto Star special from Sudbury says: "Brid's under 16 years of age resident in Ontario, will have to return to school next September, according to Fred P. Gatin, inspector of technical education of the province. This will come about when section three of the Adolescent Rights Act comes into force, which is with the beginning of the fall term in 1921."

Russo-Rumanian War Clouds.

Vicina.—Trouble between Rumania and Soviet Russia is forecasted reports from Ukraine received here. These advises declare that Rumania is adopting measures "indicative of the imminence of war" with Russia over the possession of Bessarabia.

## Returns from Orient



REV. T. D. CHOWN,

Superintendent Missions of Methodist Church, just returned from the Orient, where he reports favorable progress in the Mission Fields of the Far East.

## Allies to Control Dardanelles

Changes in Greek Government Must Not Affect the Situation.

London, Eng.—In the House of Commons in the course of the debate on the defense estimate, Premier Lloyd George announced that whatever the changes in the Greek Government, the guardianship of the Dardanelles Straits must remain under control of Great Britain, France and Italy, regardless of whether Constantinople remained in Greece or Venizelos came back.

Replying to much criticism on the excessive occupation of Mesopotamia the Premier challenged anybody to say that Great Britain ought to abandon the mandate for Mesopotamia. He declared that, having accepted the mandate, Great Britain was bound to shoulder the initial cost, and added: "We have made it quite clear that if rich oil deposits exist there, it will be for the betterment of the whole world, and we will have the balance quite fairly between all nations."

## Co-operation in Reconstruction

American Speaker Declares That Problem is Largely Psychological.

Montreal.—That the reconstruction period must be marked by a much closer relation between the employers and employees, was the general drift of an argument presented here by George E. McIlwain, of Boston's statistical organization, of Boston.

Mr. McIlwain showed for six years in the "bad" period the hall had always been in the hands of the employers, with two or three jobs for every man. Now conditions had changed, and the hall was once again in the hands of the employers.

The problem, he said, was largely psychological, and one in which religion and the church should take part.

## Fortune For Greek Royalty.

Athens.—A court decision has been handed down authorizing Madame Manos, the wife of the late King Alexander, to enter into immediate possession of the fortune left by the King.

This is estimated in value at two million drachmas (about \$49,000, normally) and consists almost entirely of money and jewels.

## Exempt From Taxation.

Ottawa.—A special ruling of the finance department concerning joint stock companies provides that dividends derived exclusively from profits received before January 1, 1917, may be distributed as of before December 31, 1920, without being liable to taxation. This ruling was confirmed by R. W. Bredher, commissioner of taxation.

## Long Continued Insults.

The Hague.—Jonker Van Kerkhove, the foreign minister, chided Parliament that Holland had "temporarily broken off diplomatic relations" with Yugoslavia, because of long continued insults to the Dutch Government.

## Mine Disaster in Japan.

Yamaguchi, Japan.—One hundred and thirty persons are missing as a result of a fire in a coal mine near here. Five bodies have been recovered from the mine. Twenty persons were injured in the disaster.

## Volcano in Eruption.

Tobio.—The Asama Yama Volcano situated about 90 miles northwest of Tokyo, has been in eruption for several days. The ashes are falling over a wide area.

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# U.F.O. in Accord With Farmers' Movement to Enter Federal Arena

## Western Livestock Union

Geo. H. Hutton is Unanimously Re-Elected President at Calgary Meeting.

Calgary, Alta.—George H. Hutton, superintendent of the C.P.R. department of natural resources, was unanimously re-elected president of the Western Canada Livestock Union. Hon. Dr. Tolmie, federal minister of agriculture, was re-elected honorary president.

Vice-presidents for the four western provinces were elected as follows: Alberta, George Headley, M.L.A., re-elected; British Columbia, W. T. McDonald; Manitoba, Andrew Graham; Saskatchewan, to be appointed later by the Saskatchewan Livestock Board at their meeting in January. F. W. Auld, deputy minister of agriculture, and the vice-president for 1919, to continue to act in the meantime.

## More Nations Join League

Bulgaria, Finland, Luxembourg and Costa Rica Are Given Admittance.

Gentva.—The League of Nations increased its membership to 46 states by the admission of Bulgaria, Finland, Luxembourg and Costa Rica. None of them met with opposition, but there were some abstentions from voting on their admission, led by the French delegation, who explained, although they held no grievance against Bulgaria, they lacked sufficient information, and preferred not to act otherwise.

Armenia came up again to trouble the Assembly. To do something for Armenia has appeared to be the slogan of several members since the beginning of the meeting, including figures such as Lord Robert Cecil. The committee on the admission of new states having decided that Armenia could not be admitted now, Lord Robert asked the Assembly to at least hold off the hope that Armenia will be adopted into the family of nations next year, and to wish well to President Wilson in his mission of mediation between the Armenians and Turkish Nationalists.

## Xmas Turkeys Jump in Price.

Montreal.—The predicted rise in the price of turkeys has come to pass and the holiday birds are now six cents more a pound than they were last week, bringing the cost of Christmas dinner up to sixty cents per pound. This jump is only partially due to the rise in the price of cranberry which have leaped from twenty to thirty cents a quart.

## Earthquake Shock Recorded.

Washington.—An unusually severe earthquake shock, estimated to be 2,800 miles distant from Washington, was recorded on the seismograph at Georgetown University. The quake was registered in various parts of Canada.

## Embargo On Imports.

Washington.—A one-year embargo on imports of tobacco is proposed in a bill introduced by Representative H. R. Healy, Republican, of Maine.

# West Presents Case for Control Of Natural Resources

Federal Ministers Hold Out Little Hope For Any Early Settlement.

Ottawa.—The first conference between federal and western minister on the vexed question of the control of natural resources by the prairie provinces was an interesting discussion but unproductive of any definite result.

The fact that western provincial interests are not identical presents somewhat of a difficulty. One western premier expressed the belief that it may take another five years to settle the question and while this may be an exaggeration it indicates that a long road has yet to be travelled before the end is reached. The disagreeable part of the question is that, like the tariff and the freight rates question, territorial considerations of east and west cut a figure.

The Government of Manitoba submitted a lengthy memorandum of its claims but Saskatchewan and Alberta did not do so, though their views are along the same lines. They will put their case in writing also.

Brady stated, what the provinces ask is the transfer to them of their natural resources and in addition something by way of annual allowance for resources alienated for the general advantage of Canada. The suggestion was made that some accounting should take place to determine the amount of such compensation.

The course proposed by the federal ministers was that the prairie provinces should abdicate a portion of their demands of subsidy in lieu of lands under the autonomy terms. Unless this was done they held out little hope nor are they in a position to say as yet that, even if the demands were reduced, the compensation would be granted.

It is a matter upon which Parliament will have to be consulted.

Toronto.—Lining up solidly behind Hon. T. A. Crysler as the leader of the Farmers' party in federal politics, the United Farmers of Ontario, at their convention here went on record as in hearty accord with Mr. Crysler's political views and urging him to carry forth the banner of victory in the House of Commons and throughout the Dominion. In order to show that they were preparing to make such a campaign effective, and prove their confidence in their federal leader, the convention took steps toward raising the "shrews of war."

Having in mind recent legislation at Ottawa, which made it illegal for any association not incorporated for election purposes to raise election funds, the convention decided to use the "plank" along to Premier Drury for his consideration with reference to the Farmer M.L.A.'s.

The understanding was that the "recall" was not to be made imperative at present, but was endorsed as a general principle. The question of thus disciplining any member of Parliament who did not show the interest in public affairs that his constituents thought he should show, came up for discussion. It was the consensus of opinion that some form of "constitution" with such a representative should be devised, but the method was left undecided.

## Kansas Race Riots.

Independence, Kan.—One white boy and one negro were killed and three men probably were fatally wounded in rioting here following an all-day search for a negro who held up and killed a suburban grocer. Chief of Police E. N. Hall appealed to Governor Allen for state troops.

Rifles and shotguns were used freely in the fighting between the whites and the blacks.

## Catholic Minority Not Protected.

London.—Cardinal Logue, prime minister of Ireland, in a letter to the London Times says the Irish "partition" bill contains not a word about "protecting the interests" especially the spiritual interests of the large Catholic minority in the six counties which it is proposed to cut off from Ireland. This is true, the cardinal says, notwithstanding the talk of need of safeguarding the minority in Northeastern Ulster."

## Sunday Sports For Boston.

Boston.—Substantial majorities in favor of the four proposals on the ballot were returned by the voters of this city. Sunday sports were supported more than two to one and the act establishing a state boxing commission was affirmed by nearly three to one. Liquor license and racing licenses for 275 per cent. beverages received smaller majorities.

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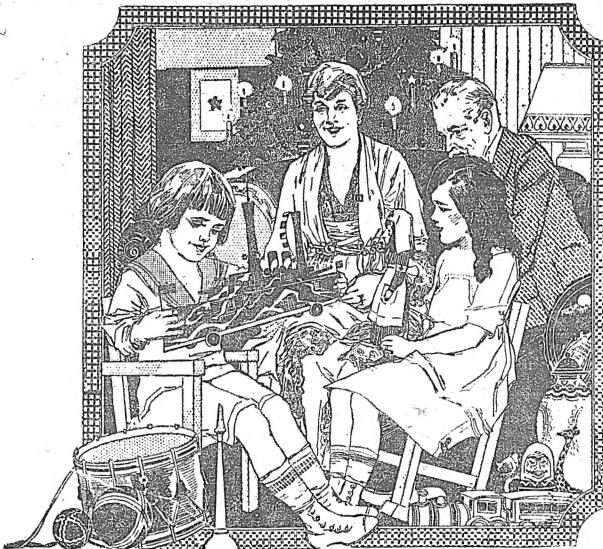
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# Making Christmas Merry for the Children



Like all anniversaries, Christmas recalls old pleasures, sweet memories and vanished friendships. This year these feelings are more intense because of the many thoughts we have of loved ones "over there." Great indeed will be the effort to bridge the gap between this holiday season, between these days of anxious hopes and the happy times we used to know. But it behoves to right about face if only for one short day, and recall vividly to our minds that precious early faith in the gloriousness of life which was our birthright, and which we can never recall, however hard we may try. It is our solemn duty to remember that it was given to our children, this filling their hearts with memories which will cheer them throughout their lives. They feel now as we once felt, they have the same hopes and believe just as earnestly, and their vision of the future is clear and rosy. We must help to keep it so, to firmly establish in their

hearts a beautiful conception of a beautiful day. We cannot conceal the fact that Christmas isn't what it used to be in bountiful and entertaining, but we can make up for it in keeping the spirit, and in helping the kiddies to keep as long as possible the poetic and ideal side of the Nativity.

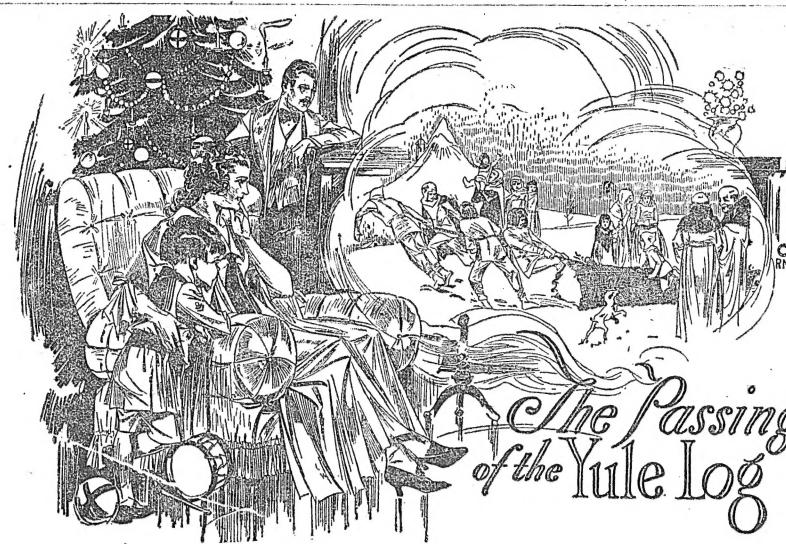
Nothing so creates happiness as the sharing of it; it is the peculiar property of all true pleasures to grow as they are distributed. So young minds may early learn the value of this truth, by being shown that the surest road to attaining contentment is to make others happy by their unselfishness and sacrifice.

Some dear children I know are planning a community Christmas; They are saving their extra pennies, and have asked their parents to give them instead of presents, the money they would spend for them, and for the other family gifts. These young patriots are fitting up baskets of food and little toys for the chari-

ties in their home town, and on Christmas morning they will aid in distributing them. For their own celebration they have arranged a cantata, and in their spare moments they practice earnestly. There will be no caparisoned hobby horses, no flaxen-haired French dolls, so far as the children know. But there is pretty sure to be a real surprise for them when the day is over, though they are first about not wanting any toys, or "extravagant" things as one youngster said to his mother. What a wonderful storehouse of memories those children are building, what characters they will have when they attain their growth! Their parents will have to introduce a string of popcorn and a little tableton bag or two, just to keep their modern children's hands in. At any rate they have surrendered self in a beautiful way that sets a worthwhile example for their elders. Another group of families has a

only passes a happy day for the children, but which will also keep the older members of the family from feeling too keenly the sight of empty chairs. These neighbors will have breakfast and a tree for the children at one home. When the excitement is over, they will all climb into their cars, and spend the whole day, except for a brief rest for a basket lunch, in taking less fortunate children for rides. In the late afternoon Hooverized men will be prepared at another home, and the day will end with an old-fashioned evening of chandels and music. The participants will no doubt go home with a healthy tired feeling, and a desire for sleep which doesn't allow for any minutes of loneliness or depression.

It looks more and more as if we were to return gradually to the old time celebrations; to Christmases lacking in excessive bounty but infinitely more health-giving, and more conducive to good fellowship, unselfishness and democracy.



It is to be regretted that so many of our oldest and prettiest superstitions are fast going out of usage. We, of course, attribute this in a great measure to the hustling, busy age in which we are living—an age which is intolerant of too many customs which gave our predecessors such pleasure. We call ourselves too sensible for superstitions, yet in our hearts we yearn for them and the magic they cast about the seasons we love to celebrate. Modernism isn't entirely at fault, however, in all cases. For instance, we may lay to climatic changes the passing of one of the most graceful and physically satisfying among the old English customs—that of burning the Yule log; for our Christmas season has changed imperceptibly but surely as regards blustery winds and hoary snowy vistas.

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ast. One cannot plan to burn the log with any great amount of wild enthusiasm when one is apt to wake up to a balmy breeze coming in one's window, and a loitering robin chirping "Merry Christmas." Nor is it easy to give to the heart its former and joyful zest, when the doors and windows are wide open and the whistling wind so necessary to coziness is sadly missing. There is no getting around the fact that we are having more and more Christmases of the balmy variety, which is excellent for the Fuel Administration, but hard perhaps timely to briefly scan the interesting points in connection with the Yule log, and save them for dispensation to future generations.

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Of course we are all familiar with the superstition that in burning a

Yule log, it must not be entirely con-

tused, but the ends must be carefully saved to start the next year's log to burning brightly, and also serve as talismans against evil spirits and ill luck. In certain provinces the saying goes that pieces of charred log placed the efts of fruit trees will insure a bountiful yield the coming year. One of the prettiest thoughts on the Yule log is contained in the following stanza by Herrick:

"Kindle the Christmas brand, and

then

Till sunne-set let it burn,

Which quenches, then lay it up again,

Till Christmas next returne,

Part must be kept therewith to tend

The Christmas log next year;

And where 't safely kept,

the fire

Can do no mischiefe there."

Sodium Sulphate in Canada.

Enough sodium sulphate has been

found in Saskatchewan to supply the

world's needs for many years to come

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## How the British Guards Fought and Conquered Flower of German Army

I have been listening to a man—a real man with a happy face and strong white teeth that make sunshine when he smiles, writes Annesley Burrows in the Detroit Free Press. He is a Roman Catholic priest—one of those who waded in the bloody mire of No Man's Land to carry final conflict to dying soldiers. He told me of the fiercest fight he witnessed, a struggle unsurpassed and perhaps unequalled in all the epics of history—the titanic clash between the English guards, and the German emperor's guards, when the great gray army was battering its way toward Calais and the channel coast. I saw those English guards when George the Fifth was still a prince. They were wondrous soldiers. The horsemen with their golden helmets, saffron coats, white breeches and great top boots, mounted on tall, coal-black chargers, made the most brilliant spectacle among the armies of Europe. The footmen, none less than six feet and an inch high, looked like veritable giants in their high shako of black bearskin. The emperor's guardsmen were scarcely less magnificent. These two splendid forces had been fighting for more than two centuries and now they were to meet in conflict for the first time. For twenty years this priest, Captain Father Watt, had been chaplain for the First Grenadier Guards. He was with them when they began their march to the relief of Antwerp, in the early part of the big war.

"The Brigade of Guards was well on its way to Antwerp," Captain Father Watt told me, "when the word was flashed to us that the city had fallen, and that we must retreat. Then the guards turned back marching among thousands of Belgian refugees. It was curious and pitiful to see these big soldiers of ours carrying Belgian babies whose mothers could no longer support their weight, or pushing Belgian carts which aged Belgian men could no longer move. Our men marched hard and fast, but we could not keep ahead of the pursuing Germans with their finely organized transport service. They came closer and closer, and at last one night we saw their lights flashing far in our rear. The next night they were closer, and the night that followed saw them still closer. Then those fatal lights appeared on our flanks, moving ominously forward miles to our right and left. At last we saw them in front of us, and knew that we were surrounded. We were then in front of Ypres, and the word came flashing to us from General French: Dig in. Hold Ypres to your last man. That night, the Brigade of Guards, the most brilliant troops of all Europe, made moles of themselves and dug in.

"It was noon of the next day when we saw specks of light, in an endless row, rising over a low ridge far in our front. It was the sun glinting on the gilded helmets of the emperor's guards. We recognized them in a moment, and even giant in our ranks felt a glow of exultation and the grim determination to do or die. Never since our guards met the old guard of Napoleon, on the field of Waterloo, had such a contest lain before them. Never in the history of

the world had such momentous issue depended upon their valor and patriotism.

"In a few minutes we could see the gray mass moving towards us. It came over the ridge wave after wave, like ocean billows on a cloudy day. Presently we could see the sheen of their bayonets. On and on they came. There was no hurry, no excitement, no confusion. It looked like a parade before a reviewing general. No soldier was a foot ahead of his fellows in the same rank. No soldier lagged a foot behind. They did not rush. They trotted—calmly and easily.

"Our men were waiting to receive them, rifles clutched in their hands. Every heart was strained, waiting for the command to fire. But it did not come.

"The Germans came on, nearer and nearer their steady ranks never losing their wonderful alignment, but not a shot was heard from our lines—only a dead, grim silence. At last the advancing tide was within three hundred yards of us. Then came the order 'Fire.'

"Our rifles blazed out, and the infernal claxon of the machine guns went with them. The fire tore gray ranks in front of us. Men dropped by hundreds but their places were filled as though by a miracle.

"Our men worked with frenzied energy, pumping bullets as they had never done before, and yet as we gazed at the advancing tide, it seemed as though our fire was not touching them. They were twenty to our one, and we could not kill them fast enough to even check their speed.

"Never and nearer and nearer they came, and at last they seemed to tower over our trenches. Then came the order 'Cease fire.' Our line was well up the top like a wall. Up, Guards, and at 'em!"

"Our line went over the top like one man. Then the clash came and our shining bayonets took on that pale brown color that blood makes on steel. The men fought like fiends with bayonets, clubbed rifles, pistols, lists, feet and teeth. The air was full of cries—yells of rage, shrieks of pain, and moans of fear. Men rolled together in heaps, biting and tearing with nails and teeth when other weapon there was none.

"For two hours and a half that frightful struggle lasted. Then the emperor's guards, pride of the German nation, went back. The guards of England had beaten them, one to twenty.

"The Brigade of Guards held their trenches for six days. Then relief came and we were ordered to rest billets, five miles back of the line. The men who were left in my battalion then began the march at daybreak. Some of them limped along, using their rifles for crutches. Some supported weaker comrades. Some crawled on hands and knees. Five miles is an easy march for even a half sick soldier. But it was dawn when they started. It was dark at night when they tumbled into their beds. And of the one thousand and fifty men of my battalion who went over the top to face the German host, only twenty-five finished the march and rested that night safe in billets."

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## Xmas Specials



Peanuts, 25¢ per lb.  
Mixed Nuts, 3 lbs for \$1.00  
Brown Mixed Candy, 35¢.  
Xmas Mixture at 50¢.  
Bon Bons from 50¢.  
Pop Corn 15¢ lb.  
Jap. Oranges at \$1.50 doz.  
Lemons at 50¢ doz.  
Onions at 20 lbs for a \$1.00  
Cups and Saucers at \$3.95  
Platters at Half Price  
Etc., Etc.



If you know of any children Old SANTA CLAUS will not visit this year, please let us know. We will appreciate it. Thanks.

## J. R. MILLER

## Xmas Gifts

The Hardware Store can always supply the most useful and practical gifts. Come in and see our line of

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To You and Yours

It would not seem like Christmas to us if we did not take the opportunity of writing each one of our customers and extending to them our greetings for the season. Though the wish is as old as Christmas itself yet the sentiment it conveys is sincere and earnest. We extend the old, old wish.

## May Every Christmas Joy Be Yours

And may the coming year hold in store everything that you could wish for yourself.

## Thank You

Two simple words, but they mean much to us. They are our expression of appreciation for the kindly patronage that you have extended to us in the past. May we hope that we shall continue to merit your favor during 1921. If increased service and good values will count for anything we are sure that you will remain one of our old and valued friends.

## Local News

U.F.A. Locals  
Organized

Mr. C. W. Spicer, who has been manager of the Alberta Pacific elevator at this point, left last Friday for Calgary. Mr. A. Dreden, of Eston, Sask., is now in charge of the elevator here.

Mr. W. W. Isbister, who has been in Calgary on a business trip, returned on Tu-day morning.

The service in the dining room of the Acadia Hotel is first-class. The two Chinamen, who gave good satisfaction during the fall, are again in charge. Mr. Carter, the proprietor, says if they don't keep up their reputation, they will also pass on. That's right J. L. "It's a long lane that has no turning."

R. S. Woodruff is showing some splendid boy's toys. The Erector is an ideal toy for a busy boy.

At a gathering of officers and members of the Union Church Sunday School on Monday evening, Mr. E. T. Mitchell was the guest of honor and during the evening was presented with a slight token of remembrance.

Mr. Mitchell, who has been school inspector for the last three years in this district, has made innumerable friends. Mr. Mitchell took an active part in church life, and was a man of highest ideals. He was a splendid citizen and his presence in Chinook will be missed.

Mr. Mitchell expects to leave for Edmonton on Friday morning, where he will visit his family. After a short holiday he will proceed to Haward to continue his studies.

Mr. Stewart, Postoffice Inspector, was in town last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Smith left on Sunday for Edmonton, where they will spend Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Renie left on Wednesday for Saintpaula, Sask., where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

Mr. Mike Smith has purchased the Campbell well drill, and will hereafter drill wells in the Chinook district. For price and terms address: Mike Smith, Chinook.

Mrs. Somers, of Cereal, is visiting her brother, Jas. Somers.

THE FAMILY HERALD  
AND WEEKLY STAR

FOR SALE—A quantity of lumber, 2x6 and 2x8, also a number of other sizes. This lumber will be sold che per cash. The Service Garage, Chinook.

FOR SERVICE—Pure bred Jersey Bull kept on North half of 6-28-7. Fee \$3 at time of service. Also pigs for sale.

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W. H. Meade,  
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